



City of Newport Beach, CA
City Manager's Newsletter

TO: Mayor Henn & Council Members
FROM: Dave Kiff, City Manager
DATE: April 8, 2011

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ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES DEPARTMENT

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April 8, 2011

TO: DAVE KIFF, CITY MANAGER

FROM: Tracy McCraner, Administrative Services Director/Treasurer

SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

*Tracy
McCraner*

ONE-STOP SHOP – CASHIERING

Attention customers!! Now accepting payments at the Community Development counter and "Express Pay" by the Revenue Division. In our continued effort to improve customer service we will accept all credit card and check payments throughout City Hall. Whether you are pulling permits at the Community Development Department, or getting a business license at the Revenue counter, no need to walk around City Hall looking for the cashier window, you can now pay where you are doing business! This not only prepares us and our customers for the new "one-stop Shop" at the future Civic Center it is what our customers have been asking for. The only catch, cash payments can **ONLY** be made at the cashier window. So bring your check or credit card and enjoy only one-stop!

PARKING METER CONTRACT – CENTRAL PARKING

Council approved a contract with Central Parking on March 22, 2011, to outsource all parking meter operations and enforcement. This contract ensures the City a minimum revenue stream of \$3 million/year + an 88.5% share of revenues above \$4 million. New credit card accepting single space meters are soon to be seen around town with full transition by May 1, 2011 – just in time for Memorial Day! Future meetings with businesses and HOA's to come!

SALES AND USE TAX

Please note that the City is not exempt from the payment of sales tax. Additionally, while sales tax generally applies to the sale of merchandise in the state, California also has a use tax that applies to the use, storage or other consumption of items within the state. The use tax percentage is equal to our sales tax percentage which is currently 8.75%. The use tax was originally put in place to protect California merchants from unfair out-of-state competition, but it also applies to certain purchases made within the state. If you make a purchase of goods or materials and the seller does not include sales tax, Accounts Payable staff has to calculate the use tax amount when applicable and submit it to the State on our quarterly report. This includes Internet or mail order purchases with out-of-state vendors not required to collect the tax. Please make sure that you are fairly evaluating quotes by including the use tax when applicable if the

vendor is not including sales tax. If you have any questions, please contact Accounts Payable.

DONATIONS & GRANTS

Council Policy F-3, Section C.2, states that the City Council is to be formally notified by the City Manager each quarter of the acceptance of donated funds on behalf of the City. The City did not receive any funds pertaining to this requirement during the third quarter of the 2010-11 Fiscal Year.

PRINTING SERVICES

The Print Shop will not be staffed on Monday and Tuesday, 4/18-19, due to overlapping scheduled Spring Break vacations. Access to the color printer in the Print Shop will still be available for those who send print jobs directly to that printer. Please make your best effort to plan ahead if you anticipate something needing to be printed on either of those two days and get your print requests to the Print Shop before Friday, 4/15.

If you have any questions or emergency print jobs that can't wait until Wednesday, 4/20, please contact Tammie Frederickson at x3127.

AUDITOR RECOMMENDED

Four audit firms submitted their proposals for the 2010-11 audit season with the option of auditing the City's Financial Statements for three subsequent fiscal years. Initial proposals were carefully reviewed by a four-member Audit Selection Committee comprised of financial administration staff in the Administrative Services Department, Public Works Department and the Library Services Department. Two top contenders were invited for an interview on April 5, 2011, and both firms interviewed very well. Finally, references were checked and the Committee decided on one of the firms. Staff will be presenting their recommendation to the Finance Committee on Monday with the final decision and contract approval to rest with City Council. We'd like to express our appreciation for the help provided by Melissa Kelly from Library Services and Jamie Hook from Public Works on the Audit Selection Committee.



COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager
From: Dana Smith, Assistant City Manager
Subject: City Manager's Newsletter
Date: April 8, 2011

A Farewell Message from Interim Community Development Director Joel Fick

To the entire Community Development Staff:

On my last day with the Community Development Team, I didn't want to miss the opportunity to personally say "thank you" to each and every one of you. I am very appreciative and grateful to have met and worked with all of you, and to have been here at such an exciting time. We have been through a great deal of change, and you have all done a tremendous job to address the challenges of reorganization and change in so many of our business practices. We are on a great path, and GREAT things lie ahead!

On a personal note, I also can't thank you enough for your warmth and friendship. Newport Beach is a special place and the Community Development staff is a very special group. I wish you all nothing but the best and continued success!

Joel

Planning Division

New Applications

The following applications were received by the Planning Division:

- A tentative parcel map for a new two-unit condominium at 210 34th Street.
- A conditional use permit to allow an existing restaurant located at 4251 Martingale Way, Ste. A., to upgrade its ABC license from "Type 41" (On-Sale Beer & Wine Eating Place) to "Type 47" (On-Sale General Eating Place).
- A tentative parcel map for a new two-unit condominium at 515 Narcissus Avenue.
- A modification permit application for a new project identification monument sign along MacArthur Boulevard for Corona Del Mar Plaza located at 800 Avocado Avenue.

- A conditional use permit to allow an existing building located on Old Newport Boulevard to use a reciprocal parking agreement with an adjacent property to provide the required parking for a new medical use.
- A Zoning Compliance letter request for 4701 Von Karman Avenue.

Emergency Preparedness Committee

Staff attended the monthly meeting of the Emergency Preparedness Committee on March 24. This was the kickoff meeting for the "Continuity of Government" study, which is an initiative intended to ensure that City departments are able to continue their performance of essential functions in an emergency. The Planning and Building Divisions will be coordinating their participation in this project.

Annual Children's Water Education Festival

On March 23 and 24, Administrative Analyst Terresa Moritz, formerly a member of the Utilities staff, made her final trip as a participant from the City to the annual "Children's Water Education Festival". The free annual event, held this year in Yorba Linda at the Richard Nixon Library and Museum, is the largest regional water educational event of its kind in the nation. It is held each year by the Orange County Groundwater Guardian Team, which is comprised of public agencies, private enterprise, academia and non-governmental organizations. Approximately 5,500 fourth, fifth and sixth grade students attended this year's event over the two days. Interactive educational presentations were provided by local and state government entities, non-profit organizations from throughout the region, and volunteers from private companies and organizations.

This year marked the 15th Anniversary of the Festival. The City of Newport Beach received a Special Award for its overwhelming commitment and dedication to the event over the past 15 years.

Quick Hits

- Staff fielded two inquiries about code interpretations that allowed us to show the ease and clarity of the new zoning code. One item dealt with calculating grade for purposes of determining height and the other related to calculating heights of accessory structures in the side and rear setbacks of a property. Both customers were clearly pleased with the ease and clarity of the new code sections.

Code Enforcement Division

Moving Offices

After eight years in Trailer E, Code Enforcement offices have moved to Trailer I (still located on the front lawn of City Hall). The offices in Trailer I are larger than the cramped confines of Trailer E and more accommodating for visitors and meetings. The previous code enforcement trailer was on a lease which will result in immediate cost savings to the City upon its removal on

April 15. Thanks to all the staff from Public Works, Utilities, General Services and IT who are helping make the move go smooth.

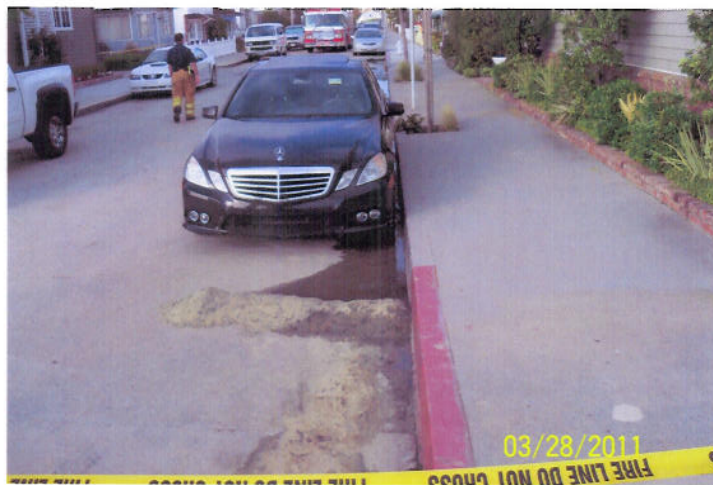
Water Quality

On Monday, March 28, Code Enforcement staff responded to two calls regarding discharges of pollutants into the City's storm drain system.

The first call involved a sewage spill located in the 500 block of S. Bay Front on Balboa Island (See pictures below). The Newport Beach Fire Department was alerted to the spill and set up a sand berm in front of the catch basin, preventing sewage from entering the Bay. Crews from the City's Utilities Division arrived shortly after with a vactor truck to clean up the mess. Thanks to alert residents on Balboa Island, a discharge into Newport Bay was narrowly averted.



The second call was for cement located in the street gutters in the 3600 block of Balboa Boulevard. Staff responded to the area and identified the source of the discharge, a small home improvement project. The property owner was immediately contacted and the cement and other building materials were cleaned up.



As a reminder, anything thrown, swept or poured into the street, gutter or a catch basin (the curbside openings that lead into the storm drain system) can flow directly into the City's channels, creeks, bays and ocean. This includes pollutants like trash, pet waste, cigarette butts, motor oil, anti-freeze, runoff from pesticides and fertilizers, paint from brushes and containers rinsed in the gutter and toxic household chemicals. Residents are encouraged to report prohibited discharges to the Code Enforcement Division at (949) 644-3215. For more

information on water quality and pollution prevention, please visit the City's website at www.newportbeachca.gov.

Below is an email from a resident regarding the sewer spill incident.

From:
Sent: Tuesday, March 29, 2011 12:30 PM
To: Kappeler, John
Subject: Re: Sewage Spill

*Hi John,
Thanks for getting back to me.*

Everything went well, on the sewage spill yesterday, the FD showed up quickly and blocked the storm drain area with sand to protect the bay, then Matt came, then the PW crew showed up and did an amazing clean out and clean up job.

The City really has an epic response plan for sewage spills.

Bravo!

Randy

Building Division

Customer Activity

Customer activity was good during the month of March with 1,529 customers served by the permit counter. This is less than 1,712 customers assisted during March 2010. We have increased the number and size of projects which we review by appointment and over the counter so more projects are approved with fewer customer trips to the Community Development Department. (See attached chart.)

Significant Project: Fashion Island Cinemas

A building permit has been issued for a seismic retrofit of the cinema building at Fashion Island. The retrofit utilizes installing advanced technology, viscous dampers, in steel frames. The hydraulic dampers reduce the movement of the building normally induced by an earthquake. This reduces the seismic force which the building frames need to resist if dampers were not utilized.

The seismic retrofit is one of four phases of the overall remodel of the theatres which includes a remodel and retrofitting the theatres with stadium style seating. Cost of this phase is estimated to be \$1 million.

Staff Training

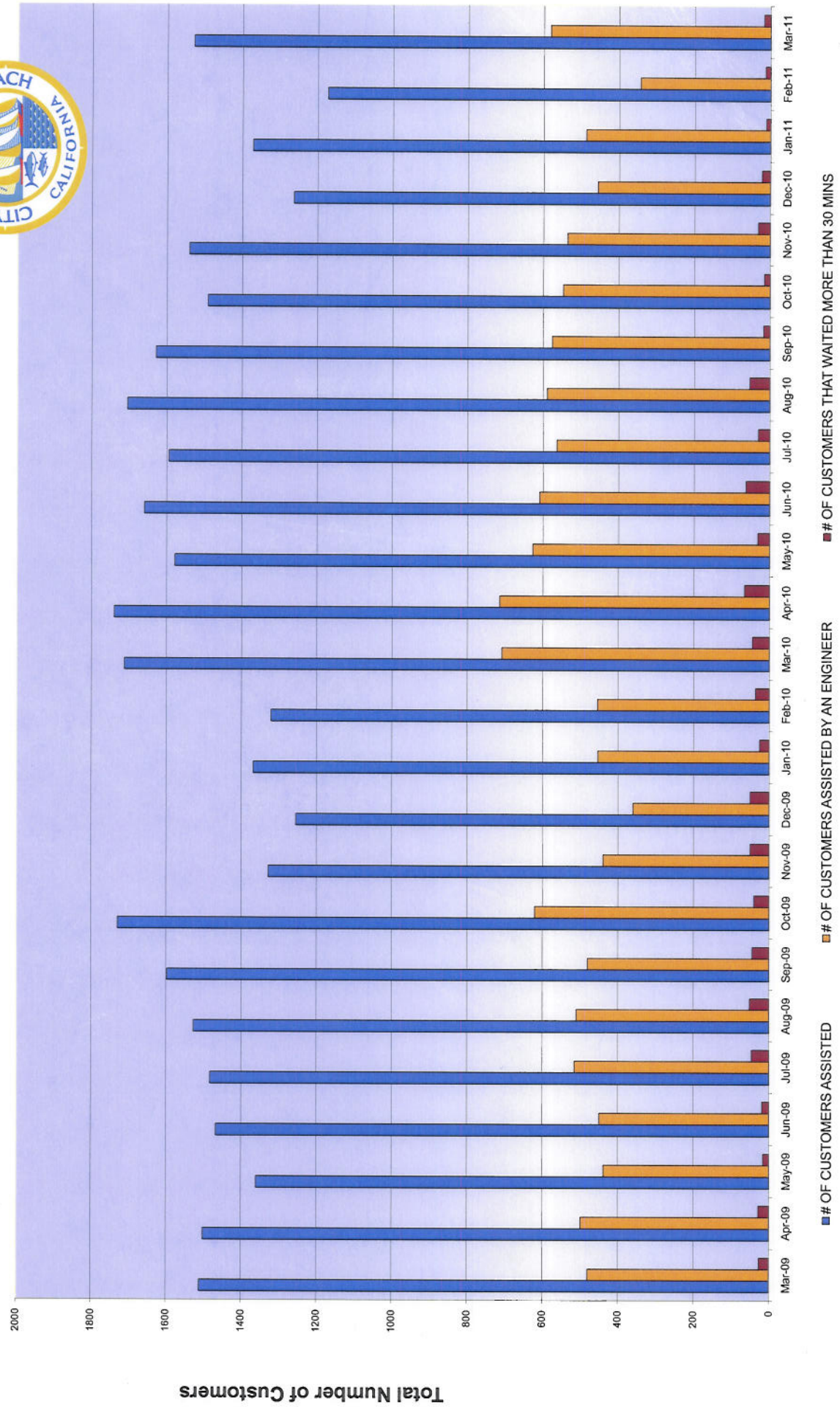
Technical representatives from Simpson Strong-Tie Corporation presented their new construction products to the Building Division staff during a staff meeting. Strong-tie hardware is commonly used in wood construction for connecting wood framing members together and to concrete foundations. Strong-tie prefabricated shear walls and frames are commonly used in

residential construction. The presentation was helpful to plan check engineers and inspectors who review and inspect projects utilizing Simpson's products.

Project within the Flood Plain

Building Division staff are working with the project owner, architect, and contractor to resolve a situation where the scope of construction on a project within a flood hazard area exceeded the approved scope of work. Replacement of deteriorated structural members caused the scope of work to exceed the scope permitted on the approved plans. Building Division staff are working with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) on the best solution to this situation and are confident that there is a solution to allow the construction to resume after stopping work on the project. FEMA became aware of this violation during the annual community assistance visit to the City.

City of Newport Beach Building Department March 2009 - March 2011 Customer Log





**Newport Beach Fire Department
Office of the Fire Chief**

DATE: April 8, 2011
TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager
FROM: Mike Morgan, Fire Chief
SUBJECT: CITY MANAGER'S NEWSLETTER

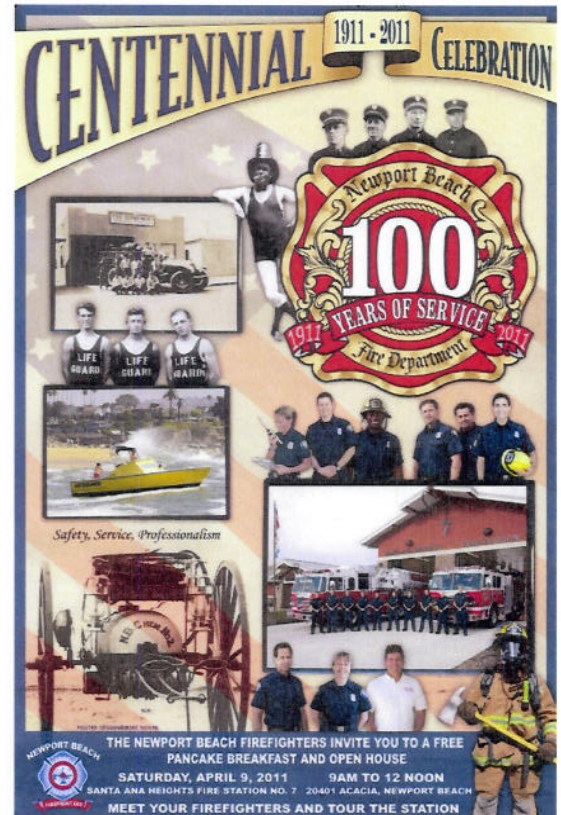
We're 100 Years Old!

The Newport Beach Fire Department will be celebrating its Centennial Year in 2011. The Newport Beach Fire Department became official on April 17, 1911, with the passing of ordinance No. 65. The Fire Department will celebrate our honorable history throughout 2011.

In 1906, the small villages of Newport and Balboa Village were incorporated into the City of Newport Beach. In August 1910, fire damaged the meeting room of the Newport Beach City Trustees. Suddenly the threat of the fire was foremost in the minds of both local politicians and residents. On April 17, 1911, they responded to this threat by passing Ordinance 65, calling for the creation of a volunteer fire department. W.A. Cornelius was appointed Fire Chief and the ranks were filled with local residents and businessmen. The new department purchased three hose reels and fire hose and a fire hall was soon built a block away from the Balboa Pavilion. This is the humble beginnings of our present day professional fire department.

(Source: The Newport Beach Fire Department by Michael J. Novak. Arcadia Publishing 2006)

Today the Fire Department provides 24-hour emergency protection to its approximately 85,000 residents and millions of visitors annually. The Department now has 150 full-time staff members, including professional firefighters, lifeguards and staff. Each year, firefighters respond to close to 9,000 emergency calls and lifeguards protect an average of 8 million beachgoers.



The Fire Department will be planning several events to acknowledge our history. The first event will act as the kickoff to the Centennial Year and the Newport Beach Firefighters' Association will be hosting a **"Pancake Breakfast and Open House" on Saturday, April 9, 2011 from 9:00am-12 noon at our Santa Ana Heights Fire Station, located at 20401 Acacia St.** This will be a free event for the public to come help us celebrate our 100th year.

The Firefighters' Association will also be hosting the 2011 Firefighter Olympics during the week of July 10-15, 2011. The Newport Beach Fire Department is deeply rooted in this community and enjoys a tremendous amount of support from both the City and the citizens we serve. The driving factor in hosting the games was to provide an opportunity for the Firefighters' Association to show our appreciation for the continued support we receive. The Olympics routinely draws over 4,000 firefighters and family members to the host City.

Spring Break – Two Months Long!

Spring Breaks started in mid-March and are still occurring, with weather making it fun to go to the beach.

Lifeguards have been patrolling the beach with up to four units on Tuesday and Wednesday in response to the warm weather and larger crowds. Not even colder water temperatures kept surfers and bathers out of the water. The surf was crowded with people riding the 2-3 foot surf from the Newport Pier to the Santa Ana River Jetty. The ocean temperature was 50 degrees Tuesday morning after the strong winds the night before. The water temp has risen to 58 degrees this afternoon. We expect good crowds with nice weather predicted through Monday.

Head-On Collision Injures Three

On Tuesday, March 22, at 3:30pm, Newport Beach Firefighters responded to a traffic collision at the intersection of San Joaquin Hills Road and Newport Coast Drive. When firefighters arrived on scene, they found two vehicles with front end damage and three injured patients.

Firefighters initially assessed the scene and determined there were three patients from this incident. One person was extricated from their vehicle and taken to Western Medical Trauma Center with moderate injuries. Two other patients were treated and transported to Hoag Hospital with minor injuries.

Firefighters from Newport Beach responded to this call, as well as Newport Beach Police units. The Newport Beach Police Department will be conducting further investigation into the cause of the crash.

Newport Beach CERT Drill



On Saturday, March 26, 2011, the Newport Beach Fire Department held its Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) "Drill the Skills" for over 100 CERT volunteers. The "Drill the Skills" is a chance for new CERT graduates from both spring 2011 CERT programs as well as active CERT graduates to refresh their skills and renew their certifications.

For the drill, CERT volunteers were divided into six neighborhood teams and will participate in six stations. The six stations were outdoor search

and rescue, indoor search and rescue, fire suppression, disaster medical operations (triage), ID badge, and disaster medical operations review. At the conclusion of the drill, CERT volunteers from both spring CERT classes participated in a graduation ceremony. Newport Beach CERT volunteers are certified as disaster service workers, ready to help the Newport Beach community following unexpected disasters.



The Newport Beach CERT program is a Department of Homeland Security Citizen Corps training program to train and certify residents to help themselves, their family and their neighborhood following unexpected disasters. Newport Beach holds four CERT classes each year, two in the spring and two in the fall, and has certified over 650 residents and had over 1250 participate in the program.

For further information on the CERT program, contact Community Preparedness Coordinator Matt Brisbois at nbcert@nbfd.net or call (949) 644-3112 for additional program information.

Nineteen Assisted After Boat Experiences Trouble



On Friday, April 1, 2011, at 12:30pm, Newport Beach Firefighters responded to a call to a possible boat fire in Newport Harbor with numerous passengers on board. Once on scene they found 19 passengers had been safely brought ashore by Good Samaritans and no one was injured in this incident.

Newport Beach Firefighters were called to a Newport Harbor tour boat, called "Showboat" that was experiencing boat trouble near the Lido Island Bridge. Bystanders saw the boat and believed it had run ashore. Then they saw a plume of smoke and some of the passengers began yelling "Fire" so they called 9-1-1.

Individuals from the nearby Windward Sailing Club quickly jumped aboard several Duffy boats and evacuated the passengers from the boat and brought them ashore. As they arrived on shore numerous fire units and lifeguards arrived on scene to assist the passengers. All were assessed, but none complained of injuries due to the incident. Other firefighters and lifeguards went aboard the boat to assess the situation and confirm there was no fire. Shortly after, another tour boat, "Queen", arrived on scene. All passengers were invited aboard and able to safely continue their Harbor Cruise.



Lifeguards Host Mutual Aid Exercise



On Wednesday, April 6, at 9:00am, Newport Beach Fire Department Lifeguards hosted a mutual aid training exercise for open water lifeguards from throughout Orange County. The training exercise occurred near Newport Beach Lifeguard Headquarters. It simulated a scenario in which multiple missing swimmers are in distress and utilized lifeguards and resources from throughout the county to help search for the victims.

Lifeguard agencies from Seal Beach, Huntington Beach, California State Parks, Laguna Beach, San Clemente, Lake Mission Viejo, and the County of Orange participated, along with Orange County Sheriff's. There will be numerous resources involved in the drill including rescue boats and personal watercraft from Newport Beach, California State Parks and the Orange County Sheriff's Harbor Patrol Division, the Newport Beach Police Helicopter-Eagle, and Newport Beach Fire units. The objective of the drill was to allow Lifeguard resources to unify with Police, Fire and Sheriff's to practice their incident command skills, as well as to prepare and identify safety concerns in a real incident that involves multiple agencies and resources.



Traffic Collision at Bristol St and Irvine

Firefighters were called to a two car traffic collision at the corner of Bristol St. South and Irvine Ave. at 11:44am on April 5. There were two victims involved in the accident. One vehicle in the accident had been pushed into the gas station.

Both patients were extricated from their vehicles. One extrication required heavy rescue techniques and tools utilized by firefighters. Firefighter Paramedics treated both of the victims as they were transported to local hospitals. One was taken to Hoag and the other was taken to Western Medical Center.





LIBRARY SERVICES DEPARTMENT

Library – Cultural Arts



April 8, 2011

To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Cynthia Cowell, Library Services Director

Subject: City Manager's Newsletter

Chili Cook-off Raise Money for Relay for Life

Last week's Chili Cook-off raised \$180 for the Library's Relay for Life Team and was a fun lunch event at Central. Congrats to First Place Chili cook Tim Hetherton, Second Place winner Kim Crawford, and our Third Place winners Cynthia Cowell, Sean Bearly, Evelyn Rogers, Melissa Hartson and Elaine McMillion. Debbie Walker, well-known for her cookies and cakes, is coordinating a "Bake Sale" fundraiser for the Relay for Life Team on April 21st.

Gift of Literacy

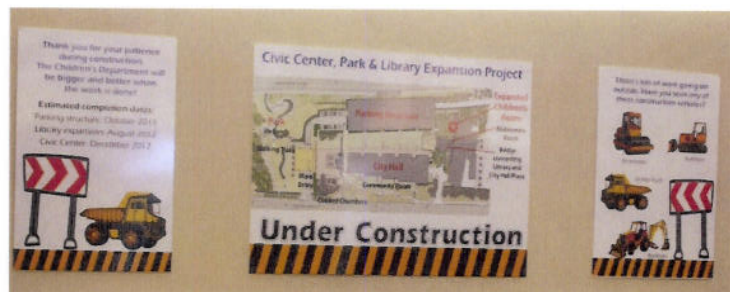
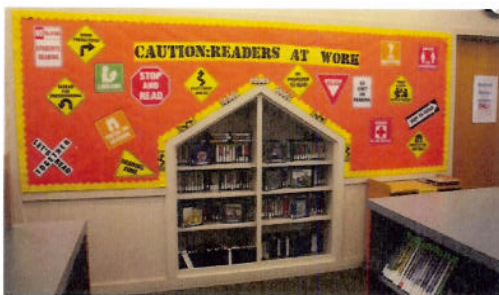
Over 100 individuals will support Literacy Services on Friday, April 8 by attending the Fourth Annual Gift of Literacy Luncheon at the Radisson Hotel. Author Nicole Mones will be talking about her newest book, *The Last Chinese Chef*, and signing books after lunch. Each guest will also receive a special cookbook packed full with delicious international recipes provided by dedicated learners, volunteers and supporters of Literacy Services. Limited copies of the cookbook are available for \$10 to non-attendees.



Cherall Weiss and Francine Jacome of Literacy Services with new cookbook.

Downloadable Book Devices

With thousands of book titles available for downloading via NBPL's website, we receive many requests for assistance. Staff is being trained on the download and transfer process for the Nook, Sony Reader and iPad this week. Staff will have the opportunity to get hands-on experience with each device, so they can better help customers with the process.



Construction Captivates Kids . . . and Adults

With bulldozers and backhoes outside our backdoor, it seemed only natural to make it a theme in the Children's Room. Staff decorated the walls with "construction themed" décor and hung posters of the new Civic Center Project with information about the project to keep customers informed. Children aren't the only ones fascinated by the work going on behind us. It's not uncommon to see library visitors standing on the second floor landing watching as the team of construction workers transforms the site right before their eyes, and members of the library staff, me included, have also been riveted by the action going on just on the other side of the glass.

Cultural Arts Services

Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale, April 9 from 1:00 – 6:00 p.m.; Awards at 4:30 p.m.

As of last week, the Newport Beach Art Exhibition and Sale, which takes place this Saturday, was filled to capacity with a maximum of artists registering for the event. Work in all media, including oil, watercolor, collage, photography and sculpture will be on display. Arts Commissioner, Carole Boller is heading up this event in 2011 with the assistance of Commissioner Wendy Brooks. An additional component for the show this year is that the award winner's work (First, Second, Third, Honorable Mention and Judge's Choice) will be on display at Oasis Senior Center through mid June.

Unfortunately, we are predicting some rain Saturday morning, but have reserved a couple of canopies just in case for the Bamboo Courtyard at Central Library. Regional artists are invited to participate by showing and selling their artwork to the public in this one-day exhibition. Awards will be presented by Mayor Henn and a member of the City Arts Commission at 4:30 p.m.



Mothers and Children – Sculpture at the Library

On Monday, April 4 recent Arts Commissioner, Arlene Cartozian brought several of her bronzes, in celebration of mothers and children to Central Library. "A bachelor's degree in education and art education credentials from USC were the foundation for my earlier career as an educator and artist. The transition into sculpture came through the sculpture program at CSULB under the tutorage of Kenneth Glenn, Howard Hitchcock and Stephen Werlick.

After completing a master's degree, with an emphasis in traditional bronze and stone techniques, my figurative subjects have related to my own experience and inspiration, raising two sons. Maternal themes are universal and portray the love between a mother and her children. A likeness of the child as

a bust, and the infant's fleeting moments in his/her development, has been a continuing theme for the past 30 years." Arlene's work will be on display through May.

Tina Anjozian – Outside In (Photobased Mixed Media, 1996-2007)

On Friday, April 1 staff met Tina Anjozian at City Hall to help install her series of large photographs, titled "Outside In". Tina relates in her artist's statement that "working in the bowels of beautiful offices devoid of any glimpse to the outside world, missing the transition from day to night, made me feel disjointed. In my free time, I would tramp through hills and fields. And, I started to fantasize, what would it be like if our houses and workplaces started growing, morphing into something alive and growing. This series of virtual windows was conceived to fulfill the longing for nature that is hardwired in us, for people who no longer feel connected to the outdoors, to nature, but need to be reminded of its existence." Ms. Anjozian's artwork will be on display at City Hall through June.





MUNICIPAL OPERATIONS DEPARTMENT

April 8, 2011

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager
FROM: Mark Harmon, Municipal Operations Director
SUBJECT: City Manager's Newsletter

Storm Debris & Clean-up Efforts

Municipal Operations Crews continue to clean-up following the recent storms that brought severe winds and rain to Newport Beach on Sunday, March 20th. These back-to-back storms brought 1.7" of rain measured at the Corporation Yard, which brings the annual rainfall total to over 18" since January 1.

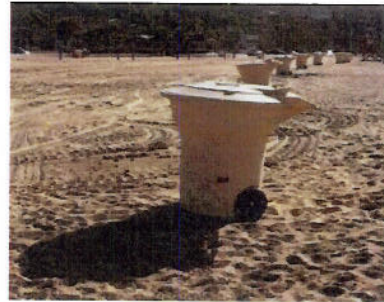


Mechanical loaders, backhoes, bobcats, and even hand sweepers were used to perform additional cleaning at McFadden Plaza, Newport Pier, Balboa Pier, Corona Del Mar State Beach, oceanfront sidewalks, street ends, bike trails, walkways, and parking lots. These areas were inundated by several tons of wind-blown sand as pictured above.

Mechanical street sweeping equipment collected hundreds of cubic yards of material during the two week clean-up period. In conjunction with the mechanical equipment, hand crews were able to pick up larger branches, palm fronds, trash, as well as the small piles of sand left behind by the street sweeping equipment. In the coming weeks, staff will continue to clean and detail areas to ensure that everything is back in order.

Beach Bin Replacement

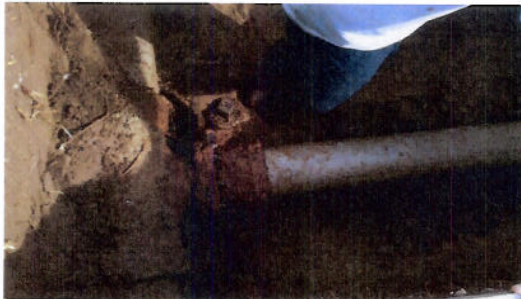
Rainbow Disposal has now officially taken over the service of beach bin refuse collection. The City's two six-wheel drive trash trucks (affectionately nicknamed "Queen Mary" or "Queenie") that provided this service had become unserviceable and too costly to repair and replace. The iconic metal trash bins were also too costly to replace due to the many years of deterioration caused by the marine environment. Beginning this past Monday, 168 sand-colored plastic bins are now serviced by contract. Rainbow started servicing 60 bins February 4 during a "Pilot Phase" between the Newport Pier and the Santa Ana River Jetty.



Following the success of the Pilot Phase, Rainbow implemented the remainder of the program for the rest of the City's oceanfront beaches. This would include the areas from the Newport Pier to the Wedge as well as Corona del Mar State Beach. Rainbow's trucks are powered by clean-burning compressed natural gas (CNG) and Rainbow will also be responsible for the upkeep of the trash bins. These bins will prove to be an excellent addition with their hinged lids to prevent loose debris being scattered about by seagulls or strewn about from the wind.

6" Water Valve Replaced

The Water Maintenance & Repair Crew recently replaced a broken 35 year-old water distribution valve located at 2723 Ocean Boulevard in Corona del Mar. The new 6" valve, which will allow staff to isolate smaller areas during a main break, has a life expectancy of 40+ years. In the process of completing the replacement, ten area homes went without water for about an hour. A 48-hour advanced notification was provided to the impacted residents.



Before



After



NEWPORT BEACH POLICE DEPARTMENT

April 8, 2011

TO: Dave Kiff, City Manager
FROM: Jay R. Johnson, Chief of Police
SUBJECT: NEWSLETTER

Department Employees Honored



Pictured left to right: Station Officer Kim Kerr, Volunteer Ed Reuscher, Officer Todd Bush, Sergeant Evan Sailor, and Chief Jay Johnson.

The 40th Annual Police Appreciation Breakfast was held on Wednesday, March 30, 2011, at 7:15 a.m., at the Newport Beach Marriott Hotel and Spa. The event was hosted by the Newport Beach Chamber of Commerce and sponsored by Wells Fargo Bank, along with a number of businesses/organizations throughout the Community. Police Department personnel honored at the Breakfast were:

Officer Todd Bush
Sergeant Evan Sailor
Station Officer Kim Kerr
Reserve Officer Steve Schogel
Volunteer Ed Reuscher

Officer of the Year
Supervisor of the Year
Civilian of the Year
Reserve Officer of the Year
Volunteer of the Year

**Award of Merit: Officers Adam Gilbert, Todd Vinson,
William Hanson, and John Mika**

Receiving information that a plane had crashed into the water in the Back Bay, Officers responded to the area and conducted a search. Finding a small aircraft upside down in the water, four Officers entered the freezing cold ocean water, permeated with airplane fuel, and swam to the plane in an attempt to contact survivors. Following numerous unsuccessful dives under the water in an attempt to open the door, they were able to affix a rope to the plane to enable other personnel on shore to pull it to the waterline, facilitating access to the door.

**Lifesaving Award: Lieutenant Jeff Brouwer, Officers T.C. Smith,
Brice Hardy, Eric Little, Reserve Officer Randy Card**

Responding to the plane crash in the Back Bay, Officers pushed their way through the thigh-high mud to move towards the waterline in an attempt to assist fellow Officers already in the water. After the Officers in the water tied off the plane and turned over the rope, Officers on the shoreline pulled the plane to the water's edge allowing the door to be opened.

Lifesaving Award: Officer Scott Smith

Detective Smith tirelessly pursued the whereabouts of a missing suicidal female. By tracking her recent credit card activities, the Detective coordinated an emergency response to a hotel in a neighboring city, which included police officers and paramedics. The missing person was found unresponsive, but still alive.

Lifesaving Award: Officers Joe Park and Jeremy Dutton

After receiving a radio call, Officers responded to a residence to conduct a welfare check. During the investigation, Officers surmised the resident was inside the apartment and in need of help. Forcing entry into the apartment, Officers found the victim unconscious on the floor. Officers rendered first aid until paramedics could respond, saving her life.

Lifesaving Award: Officer Shawn Dugan

Responding to a traffic collision, Officer Dugan observed a vehicle fully engulfed in flames with a person trapped inside. With the help of a citizen, the Officer pulled the victim out through a window to safety.

Jay R. Johnson
CHIEF OF POLICE

PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT

City Manager's Newsletter



To: David A. Kiff, City Manager
From:  Stephen G. Badum, Public Works Director
Date: April 8, 2011

Civic Center Project Newsletter

There is a lot of activity at the site of the Civic Center and Park. In an effort to keep the community informed of the progress being made, we have developed a monthly newsletter which will be posted online with hardcopies distributed to community centers and libraries (see attached). Each month you can expect the newsletter to include a snapshot of expended construction costs, current construction activities and a look ahead at what is happening next. The newsletters can be found online at newportbeachca.gov/civiccenter under the current news & updates tab.

City Parks and Street Median Water Budgeting

Public Works and the Municipal Operations Departments have teamed up with ConserVision to establish a water budget for City owned properties and various street medians. This effort has been entirely funded through a grant managed by the Municipal Water District of Orange County (MWDOC).

Recently all city parks with dedicated water meters have been audited and currently street medians are scheduled for audits and water budgets. Since the program's inception millions of gallons of water and thousands of dollars have been saved. This effort not only saves water but reduces runoff created by excessive over-watering - resulting in improved bay and ocean water quality.



New Model Water Quality Management Plan – Coming Soon

Currently, specific new development and re-development projects within the City are required to comply with water quality improvements (design elements) outlined in a document called the Water Quality Management Plan (WQMP). Starting back in 2003, the California Regional Water Quality Control Board (Regional Board) required the City to implement these WQMP requirements. Later this month, the Regional Board will look to adopt new "improved" WQMP requirements – these new guidelines will present an opportunity to further reduce the impacts of runoff from development that would otherwise drain to the City's street drainage system and our harbor, bay and ocean. The new WQMP requirements will likely take affect this summer – stay tuned.

Installation of New Technology in Tide Valves

The City has contracted with Atlas-Allied, Inc. to change out two tide valves with a new technology designed to be more reliable and require less maintenance. The first location to be constructed is the old flap gate at Seashore Drive and the Santa Ana River. Exposure to the salt water environment severely corroded the existing metal flap gate. The new gate, made by Red Valve Company and sold as Tideflex, features elastomer construction and is designed to seal around small debris that would normally hold open a traditional flap gate and increase the chance of tide water flowing up into the street.



Next the City will be replacing the tide valve at Pearl Avenue on Balboa Island with a Tideflex check valve. A new, traditional gate valve will also be installed at Pearl Avenue to provide back up operations for the new Tideflex valve while City crews evaluate its performance and maintenance characteristics. The Pearl Avenue valve will start construction next week and be finished by the end of April.



Project Newsletter

April 2011

What's happening now?

The Civic Center and Park project is currently on schedule and on budget. The soil excavation work is completed and the building pads for the city hall office building and parking structure are also completed. The shoring wall along MacArthur Boulevard is nearing completion and will brace the area for the parking structure. The foundation for the parking structure is scheduled to start the first week of April. By the end of the month, utility relocations for the library expansion should be finalized and grading for the library expansion should begin, weather permitting.

Why is that crane there?

Last month a large crane was moved on to the project site. The crane is needed to assist with securing rebar cages to create the shoring walls base structure. The next step is applying shotcrete (a technique of spraying concrete) to form the wall.

An obvious sign of construction taking place beyond the blue fence, the crane and flag on top is not an indication of future building height. Flags are typically placed atop cranes as a safety measure. All components of the Civic Center and Park have been designed to remain below the view plane. As the project progresses, there will be various equipment coming and going from the site that may temporarily rise above the construction fence line.

What's the schedule?

The parking structure portion was bid as design-build. Upon receiving approval of the design, building permits were issued. It is expected to be completed in Fall 2011. Construction of the library expansion, park (north, central, and south parcels) and the city hall building, community room and council chambers are scheduled for completion in late 2012.

Who do I call with questions?

The City's construction management team is available to respond to your questions and concerns:

- Project Manager William Hahn
949-261-5100 | whahn@cwdriver.com
- Public Works Director Steve Badum
949-644-3311 | sbadum@newportbeachca.gov



Construction Costs as of February 28, 2011:

- Expended: \$6,391,052.
- Construction contingency items:
 - minor landslide repairs during excavation of north parcel park, \$34,842.
 - grading refinements due to revised design adjacent to wetlands, \$82,822.
 - storm damage, \$61,773 (submitted to FEMA for reimbursement).
- Owner's contingency change orders: \$0.

The City Council authorized an amount of \$104.9 million for all three phases of construction and construction contingency; including excavation and construction of the shoring wall, parking structure, city hall office buildings, library expansion, and parks. An additional \$2.6 million is earmarked for owner's contingency.



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To: Dave Kiff, City Manager

From: Laura Detweiler, Recreation & Senior Services Director

Date: April 8, 2011

NEWPORT BEACH AT THE WATER FESTIVAL

For the past three years, Newport Beach's Marine Protection & Education group has hosted a booth focusing on *No Dumping - Drains to the Ocean* at the annual Orange County Water Education Festival.

Over 8,000 fourth, fifth and sixth graders from more than 70 Orange County schools, descended upon the Nixon Library on March 23 and 24 for the 15th annual event. The two-day festival educates children about local water issues and how water effects their environment.

At the Newport Beach booth, children learned what happens to common everyday items that people carelessly leave behind and tracking the journey of a toy found floating in Upper Newport Bay. They children soon learned that what was once a beloved toy soon became ocean pollution. Students left the booth with a better understanding of the impact of pollution and urban run-off on marine life, and what each of us can do to prevent it.

More than 60 California organizations participated in this annual festival educating children on a variety of water issues ranging from how a water treatment plant works to how groundwater sinks into underground aquifers.



EDUCATIONAL LECTURES @ OASIS

- In April the Center offered many informative medical lectures, such as "Stroke Prevention" presented by neurologist Dr. Vivek Jain at the UCI Medical Center.
- The second lecture by Dr. William Shankle, Program Director for Memory & Cognitive Disorders at the Hoag Neurosciences Institute. This lecture titled *Healthy Brain Aging* focused on how to prevent cognitive impairment. The Hoag Neurosciences Institute visits the OASIS twice a month with their Vital Aging Program. This community program promotes early detection and prevention of Alzheimer's and related disorders. In-person screenings are conducted at Hoag Hospital and at OASIS.
- NBPD Crime Prevention Specialist Andi Query will present a Personal Safety Lecture and discuss current crime trends and scams targeting seniors which will offer some common sense suggestions on how to protect yourself.



FITNESS CENTER UPDATE

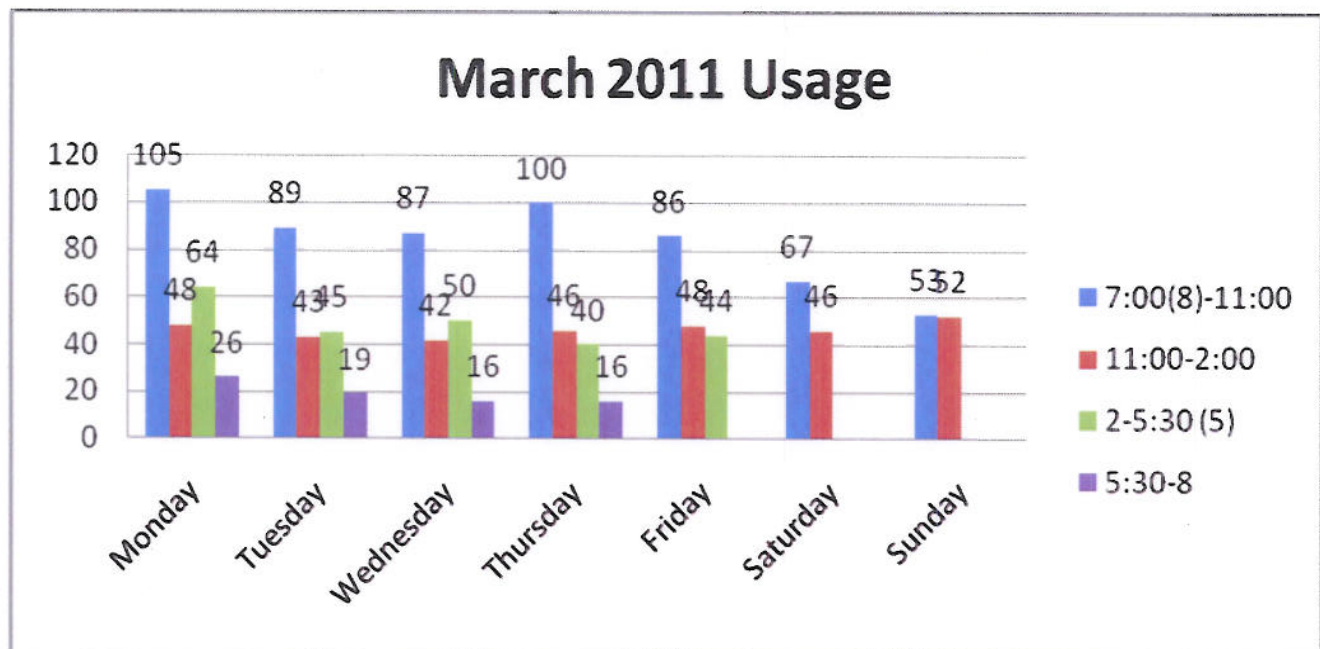
The OASIS Fitness Center (FC) is achieving its goal of providing a safe, fun and healthy environment for active seniors to stay fit:

- The FC currently has 1586 members (*as of 4/3*).
- Three volunteers donated 60 hours of service in the month of March.
- The most popular time in the FC is between the hours of 7am and 11am.
- In the month of March, 132 memberships were sold.

The chart below displays the average daily use (by day) in the FC.

| Average Daily Use | Monday | Tuesday | Wed | Thurs | Fri | Sat | Sun |
|-------------------|--------|---------|-----|-------|-----|-----|-----|
| | 238 | 195 | 193 | 200 | 177 | 114 | 104 |

The graph below displays the usage numbers for March at the FC by hours and days of the week.





| ~ April 2011 Programs at Back Bay Science Center~ | | | | | | |
|--|--|--|--|--|---|--|
| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
| | | | | | 1 | 2 |
| 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 |
| | | | 4-5 After School Program DFG Webelos 325 | | 9AM-Noon Eelgrass Program Irvine Valley College | |
| | | | 7-9PM OCNHL City of Newport Beach Free Public Program registration recommended | | | |
| 10 | 11 | 12 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 |
| | | | | 9-2 Eelgrass Program Orange County Coastkeeper College | | Marine Life Inventory DFG 8-noon Free Public Program registration required |
| 17 | 18 | 19 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 |
| COMMUNITY DAY Earthday10-2 City of Newport Beach Free Public Program | 9-5 Mountain Sea Adventure Spring Break Camp | 9-5 Mountain Sea Adventure Spring Break Camp | 9-5 Mountain Sea Adventure Spring Break Camp | 9-5 Mountain Sea Adventure Spring Break Camp | 9-5 Mountain Sea Adventure Spring Break Camp | |
| | | | | 2-4 Watershed Tour - Leadership Today | | |
| 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |
| | 9-5 Mountain Sea Adventure Spring Break Camp | 9-5 Mountain Sea Adventure Spring Break Camp | 9-5 Mountain Sea Adventure Spring Break Camp | 9-5 Mountain Sea Adventure Spring Break Camp | 9-5 Mountain Sea Adventure Spring Break Camp | |

City of Newport Beach Marine Protection and Education Program for program information call 949-644-3038

- The OCNHL or Orange County Natural History Lecture for April will host Scott Weldy, DVM and Founder of Orange County Bird of Prey Center for a talk on Local Orange County Raptors. Space is limited and advance registration is recommended.
- Community Day is a free public event hosted by the City of Newport Beach, inviting everyone to come and explore Back Bay Science Center. In April, in celebration of Earth Day the City will be hosting tours in conjunction with the celebration at the Muth Interpretive Center. No reservations required.

Department of Fish and Game Program for program information call 949-640-9956

Partner Program for program information call Orange County Coastkeeper at 714-850-1965 and Mountain Sea Adventure 310-427-7845




Quote of the Day

Success in business requires training and discipline and hard work. But if you're not frightened by these things, the opportunities are just as great today as they ever were.

-David Rockefeller

| <u>Upcoming Events</u> | <u>Date</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Responsible Staff</u> | <u>Phone</u> | <u>Location</u> |
|-------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------------------|--------------|-----------------|
| City Youth Track Meet | 4/8 | 4:30pm | Angie Ernst/Scott W | 644-3145 | CdMHS |
| Carroll Beek Grand Re-Opening | 5/20 | 5:30 | Matt Lohr | 644-3164 | Carroll Beek |

A silhouette illustration of a park scene. In the foreground, there are several palm trees of varying heights. Below the trees, there are silhouettes of people: one person is walking, another is sitting on a bench, and a group of three people is standing together. The background consists of stylized, wavy horizontal lines representing hills or clouds.

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